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TO: Iowa Medicaid Participating Home and Community Based Services
Waiver Provider

FROM: The Iowa Department of Human Services, Bureau of
Managed Care & Clinical Services

SUBJECT: Procedure Coding Changes

EFFECTIVE DATE: **July 1, 2003**

The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) mandated uniform national standards for health information. Consequently, Iowa Medicaid initiated a review of all local "W" HCPCS codes that are unique to Iowa Medicaid. These local codes are being replaced by HCPCS Level II codes.

<u>Old Code</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>New Code</u>
W1004	HOME HEALTH AIDE, PER VISIT - WAIVER	T1021
W1024	HH AIDE SERVICE, PER VISIT - WAIVER	T1021
W1026	NURSING CARE SERVICE, PER VISIT - WAIVER	T1030 (RN), T1031 (LPN)
W1039	HOME HEALTH AIDE, PER VISIT- AIDS WAIVER	T1021
W1041	NURSING CARE, PER VISIT - WAIVER	T1030 (RN), T1031 (LPN)
W1252**	NURSING CARE - WAIVER	T1030 (RN), T1031 (LPN)
W1305	INHOME NURSING, PER HOUR - MR WAIVER	S9123 (RN), S9124 (LPN)
W1306	HOME HEALTH AIDE, PER HOUR - MR WAIVER	S9122

***NOTE: IF THE "W" HCPCS THAT YOU ARE CURRENTLY USING DOES NOT HAVE A NEW CODE LISTED ABOVE, IT IS CONSIDERED "ATYPICAL" AND WILL NOT BE CHANGED. PLEASE CONTINUE TO USE THE "W" CODES. DHS used the CMS guideline to determine services that are considered 'atypical'. These codes will not be cross-walked.**

NOTE: REMEMBER, THESE CHANGES ARE EFFECTIVE FOR DATES OF SERVICE 07/01/03 AND AFTER.

If you have any questions, please contact ACS fiscal agent of the Iowa Department of Human Services at 1-800-338-7909 or locally at 515-327-5120.

****The Original Bulletin #335 dated 5/12/03 addressing HCPCS changes listed an incorrect HCPCS Crosswalk for W1252.**